

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Klaus Hahn et al.

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For: EXPANDABLE POLYSTYRENE  
GRANULATES WITH A BI- OR MULTI-  
MODAL MOLECULAR-WEIGHT  
DISTRIBUTION

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Examiner: M. A. Rioja

**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated April 28, 2010, and in consideration of the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.